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### MUSIC | CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS



**IN SESSION:** Country blues guitarist Johnny Hiland performs at Baltimore's Hard Rock Cafe on Thursday during an event announcing plans for the first World Guitar Congress. Renowned guitarists including Les Paul will gather at Towson University from June 2 to 9 to teach, play and exhibit their skills.

## Bush Ads Anger 9/11 Kin

Images of World Trade Center, rescue workers draw fire

WASHINGTON | President Bush's campaign commercials — on the air just one day — have angered several relatives of victims of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, and a firefighters union that has endorsed Democratic rival John Kerry demanded the ads be pulled.

The White House defended the commercials, which show images of the skeletal remains of the World Trade Center and firefighters bearing a stretcher through the rubble.

"It makes me sick," said Colleen Kelly, who lost her brother Bill Kelly Jr. in the attacks and leads a group for victims' families called Peaceful Tomorrows. "Would you ever go to someone's grave site and use that as an instru-

ment of politics? That truly is what Ground Zero represents to me."

The controversy erupted as Bush's reelection campaign began airing the commercials nationally on cable television and on broadcast stations in about 80 media markets in 18 states.

The ads refer both to the terrorist attacks and to the recent recession, and are designed to project Bush as a candidate offering "steady leadership in times of change."

Bush had said he would not use the attacks for political gain. His aides defended the use of the images.

"Sept. 11 changed the equation in our pub-



This image from a Bush ad shows Trade Center rubble and firefighters carrying a victim's remains.

lic policy. It forever changed the world," White House Press Secretary Scott McClellan said. "The president's steady leadership is vital to how we wage war on terrorism." LIZ SIDOTI (AP)

**EDUCATION | Hey, That's My Lunch Money!** Mom always said being late to class would cost you. Now, school officials in Lehi, Utah, have decided just how much. Students at Lehi High School could be fined \$5 if they are found outside of class after the



final bell rings. The fine was implemented this week after school officials launched a program to cut down on the number of students roaming the halls during class time. They say the money will be used to fund student activities. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

# EyeOpeners

## GOLF It's No Handicap

A Florida golfer has defied the odds, racking up three holes in one in the past six months, all while swinging one-handed. According to the National Golf Foundation, the odds of an amateur golfer hitting a hole in one are 12,600 to 1. The odds of what 68-year-old Bill Hilsheimer of Nokomis accomplished could short-circuit a calculator. Not bad for a player who lost most of his right hand 59 years ago when he was run over by a train in Columbus, Ohio. Despite the injury, Hilsheimer played football, basketball and baseball in high school, winning 13 letters and becoming an all-state linebacker. (AP)



DAVE CAULKIN/AP

## ANIMAL WATCH I Feel Pretty

If you ever needed evidence that beauty is hard work, feast your eyes on Joy, a Yorkshire Terrier with a lot on her mind — and in her hair. She was getting mentally psyched and physically styled on Thursday for her turn in the parade ring at the Crufts Dog Show at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham, England. More than 21,000 dogs were entered into this year's festivities, CNN reports — and the Guinness Book of World Records recognizes the show as the world's largest. (EXPRESS)

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS Phone, Home

Old pay phones are selling like they're going out of style. Collectors have made an online rush to buy BellSouth's boxy old pay phones, refurbished for home use, after the Atlanta-based company decided to pull out of a coin-operated phone business that had withered in the wireless age. "It's a novelty. You just don't usually see pay phones in people's homes," said Hugh Bowen of Conyers, Ga. About 500 orders for the \$135 phones were filled in the two months they've been for sale, and now there's a waiting list of about 300 people. (AP)



JOHN BAZEMORE/AP

## SPRINGTIME One Randy Panda

Wanted: single, full-figured black-and-white female for committed relationship. Must be willing to tolerate her man's heavy eating and deep sleeping. Call China's Shanghai Wild Animal Park. Guo Qing, the park's

only fertile giant panda, is on the prowl for a mate. Park officials announced Wednesday that 5-year-old Guo Qing, one of three giant pandas living at the zoo, is "looking for a lifelong partner," according to the official Xinhua News Agency. It said he is in his "reproductive prime." (AP)

## ART Once Again, It's Not You

A Southern California man is \$1 million richer, thanks to a \$5 investment. The ART-newsletter reports the unidentified 29-year-old actor bought a painting at a Los Angeles garage sale for \$5. Turns out the painting

was by well-known 19th century artist Joseph Decker. Now, the newsletter reports the National Gallery of Art in Washington has purchased the artwork for \$1 million. The painting hung in the actor's kitchen for two years before he decided to do some investigating on the Internet. (AP)

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## In Brief

## FORT BRAGG, N.C.

**Army Sergeant Faces Trial In Fatal Attack in Kuwait**

An Army sergeant charged in a grenade attack that killed two officers at a Kuwaiti base will be tried at a court-martial this summer, a military official said Thursday. Sgt. Hasan Akbar, 32, faces two counts of premeditated murder and three counts of attempted premeditated murder from the attack on 101st Airborne Division soldiers on March 23, 2003, during the early days of the Iraq war. (AP)

## MINNEAPOLIS

**Bus Drivers Go On Strike After Transit Talks Fail**

Twin Cities bus drivers hit the picket lines early Thursday and shut down a transit system that normally serves 75,000 riders a day, but the morning commute went smoothly, authorities said. Metro Transit pulled its buses off the roads at 10 p.m. Wednesday in anticipation of the strike, which began at 2 a.m. after last-minute talks collapsed. No new talks were scheduled. (AP)

## SAN FRANCISCO

**Dairy May Lower Kids' Risk Of Becoming Overweight**

Youngsters who skimp on milk and other dairy food to avoid calories actually appear to substantially increase their risk of becoming overweight, a study found. Several reports in recent years have shown health benefits of dairy products, despite their fat content. The latest research shows an unusually striking effect on weight as children go through their teens. Pediatricians say too much weight is now the most common medical condition of childhood. (AP)

## ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.

**Lawmaker Caught Driving Drunk After Anti-DWI Event**

A lawmaker was charged with drunken driving, hours after attending a bill-signing ceremony to highlight the state's newest effort to crack down on DWI offenders. Republican Joe Thompson, 37, the House minority whip, apologized after his arrest Wednesday. "While I am terribly embarrassed by this situation, I am thankful that no one else was involved," he said. (AP)

# Bush: Kerry Will Reverse Tax Cuts

## President defends his fiscal policies during Calif. campaign swing

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. | President Bush charged Thursday that Democratic rival John Kerry's approach to recent tax cuts would be to "take them away" and use the money to expand the federal government.

"I have a better idea: to keep this economy growing and to create jobs, the tax cuts must be permanent," Bush said at a fund-raiser where he banked more than \$700,000 for a re-election war chest that already dwarfs Kerry's.

It was the final stop on a two-day, \$5 million dash through California for political cash.

"My opponent has plans for the tax cuts. He wants to take them away," Bush said in Santa Clara.

In fact, the Massachusetts senator and Bush both would keep in place key tax cuts that are due to expire at the end of the year: an increase in the child tax credit; tax reductions for some married couples who would pay more than they would



**REACHING OUT:** President Bush makes an unexpected stop to greet students and teachers who were waiting on the road to watch his motorcade pass at North Beardsley School in Bakersfield, Calif. Bush was in town during a campaign tour through the state.

as individuals; and an expansion of the bottom 10 percent tax bracket.

Virtually the only area where they disagree on this issue is on Kerry's call to end tax cuts Bush signed into law for those earning more than \$200,000 a year.

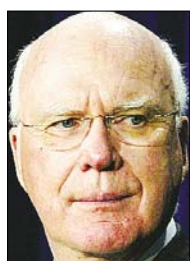
Kerry's campaign hit back even before Bush started talking. It noted that hundreds of thousands more people are unemployed in California than when Bush took office in January 2001.

SCOTT LINDLAW (AP)



**BY THE NUMBERS:** Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts is nearly tied with President Bush in a new Associated Press poll released Thursday. Kerry had the backing of 45% of respondents to Bush's 46% and independent candidate Ralph Nader's 6%. (AP)

## HEARSAY | PILFERED DOCUMENTS



"If you take things that do not belong to you, that is wrong and there is no way to whitewash that."

—SEN. PATRICK LEAHY, D-VT

RESPONDING TO A REPORT THURSDAY FROM THE SENATE'S TOP SECURITY OFFICER ON HOW DEMOCRATIC COMPUTER MEMOS ABOUT PRESIDENT BUSH'S JUDICIAL NOMINEES GOT INTO GOP HANDS. THE COMPUTER TRANSACTION AFFECTED THOUSANDS OF FILES.

## Bishop Under Fire for Alleged Sex Abuse

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. | A prosecutor said Thursday he will pursue sex-abuse charges against retired Springfield Bishop Thomas Dupre, who has been accused of molesting two altar boys in the 1970s while he was a parish priest.

If a grand jury indicts him, Dupre would become the first bishop charged in the sex scandal that engulfed the Roman Catholic church two years ago.

There have been at least a dozen grand jury investigations involving bishops, and four bishops have

resigned after being accused of sexual misconduct.

Dupre, 70, stepped down Feb. 11, citing health reasons. His retirement came a day after The Republican newspaper of Springfield confronted Dupre with the past abuse allegations.

The exact charges Hampden District Attorney William Bennett plans to seek were not immediately known.

Dupre's lawyer, Michael Jennings, has not commented on the allegations. (AP)

## Some Mexicans to Get A Pass on Entry Rules

WASHINGTON | The Bush administration will back off plans to require that visa-carrying Mexicans who make short visits to America and stay close to the border be fingerprinted and photographed, The Associated Press has learned.

The move is a concession to Mexican President Vicente Fox, who begins a two-day visit to President Bush's ranch in Crawford, Texas, on Friday.

A congressional official who was briefed Thursday by the Homeland Security Department said on condition of anonymity that the administration will not require the fingerprints and photographs at the border.

During testimony before a congressional panel, Asa Hutchinson, Homeland Security's undersecretary for border and transportation, would only say the idea was under consideration. However, afterward he told

reporters, "I think that is what probably will be necessary."

Agustin Gutierrez Canet, a spokesman for Fox, called the development "a friendly and positive gesture toward Mexico."

Mexicans make millions of quick trips across the border each year.

Those who have so-called laser visas currently are allowed to stay in the country three days provided they stay close to the border.

The visas generally are held by people who need to make frequent quick trips across the border.

As part of the new US-VISIT program, those people were to be fingerprinted and photographed before crossing the border starting sometime before the end of the year.

SUZANNE GAMBOA (AP)



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## Nation

# N.Y. Rejects Gay Marriages

**Dozens of same-sex applicants turned away by city clerk's office**

**NEW YORK** | The fight over gay marriages reached the nation's largest city Thursday as dozens of same-sex couples lined up for licenses but were turned away, even as officials in other liberal pockets vowed to continue defying laws against the permits.

Couples who came to the New York City clerk's office were handed thick letters explaining that local law prohibits gay marriages, based on a ruling a day earlier from the city's top lawyer.

"We're disappointed, but we think it's important for people to come here," said Mara Gottlieb, 33, who was first in line with partner, Camille Gonzalez. "We want the politicians to know that this isn't going away."

Mayor Michael Bloomberg has vowed to enforce the law, and state Attorney General Eliot Spitzer also said Wednesday that gay weddings are illegal, though one small-town mayor has conducted gay marriages



Gay marriage supporters protest outside the Municipal Building in New York City on Thursday as officials refused to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

and another plans to try to obtain licenses.

Mayors and county officials in California, New Mexico and Oregon have also allowed gay marriages since the wedding march began Feb. 12 in San Francisco.

In Portland, Ore., county offi-

cials issued 422 licenses to gay couples Wednesday and resumed on Thursday morning.

Most of the applications were by Oregon couples but there were a few from Seattle and Washington state, said Stephanie Soden, a county spokeswoman. TIMOTHY WILLIAMS (AP)

## Documents Reveal Near Reversal of Roe v. Wade

**WASHINGTON** | The Supreme Court was ready in 1992 to effectively overturn the landmark Roe v. Wade ruling legalizing abortion, but Justice Anthony M. Kennedy got cold feet, and the vote went the other way.

Internal notes in the papers of late Justice Harry A. Blackmun provide a glimpse of the secretive dealings that led to the court's ruling in Planned Parenthood v. Casey that year. Blackmun's extensive records from 24 years on the court were opened Thursday, the fifth anniversary of his death.

Blackmun's paper legacy brought scholars and others to the Library of Congress's vast reading room to rifle through boxes containing the documents.

His voluminous files contain draft after draft of the Casey ruling with his handwritten notes in the

margins, sometimes agreeing with other justices and sometimes looking for ways to change their minds. The files also contain memos from Blackmun's law clerks suggesting changes or strategies that might persuade more justices to join his views.



Blackmun

Blackmun had written the Roe ruling in 1973, and had guarded it from previous attack from conservative justices.

Blackmun's notes show that Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist led a five-justice majority to overrule Roe. ANNE GEARAN (AP)

**In his own words:** Excerpts from the Blackmun papers, including video clips of the justice himself | [washingtonpost.com/nation](http://washingtonpost.com/nation)

### BASKETBALL BASKET-WEAVING

The University of Georgia this week released documents connected with a National Collegiate Athletic Association investigation into former assistant men's basketball coach Jim Harrick Jr. The NCAA concluded Harrick fraudulently awarded A grades to three basketball players. A final exam for one of Harrick's 2001 classes released among the documents included the following questions:

→ **How many goals** are on a basketball court?

a) 1 b) 2 c) 3 d) 4

→ **How many halves** in a college basketball game?

a) 1 b) 2 c) 3 d) 4

→ **How many points** does a 3-point field goal account for in a Basketball Game (sic)?

a) 1 b) 2 c) 3 d) 4

→ **If you go on** to become a huge coaching success, to whom will you tribute (sic) the credit?

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# World

## Retrial For 9/11 Convict

German court cites U.S. refusal to grant access to key witness

KARLSRUHE, GERMANY | A German court Thursday overturned the world's only conviction for the Sept. 11 attacks and ordered a retrial for a Moroccan found guilty last year of aiding the Hamburg cell of suicide hijackers.

Mounir el Motassadeq's conviction on more than 3,000 counts of accessory to murder and membership in a terrorist organization was flawed because the lower court failed to properly consider the absence of evidence from a key witness who is in U.S. custody, the Federal Criminal Court ruled.



Motassadeq

The United States refused to allow testimony by Ramzi Binalshibh, thought to be the Hamburg cell's key contact with al Qaeda. Binalshibh was captured in Pakistan and is in secret U.S. custody. El Motassadeq acknowledges knowing the hijackers, but he says he knew nothing about their plans — and maintains Binalshibh could confirm this.

The appeals court said the lower court erred by failing to consider whether the lack of direct evidence from Binalshibh should have influenced its decision. The jailed 29-year-old's case now returns to court in Hamburg. GEIR MOULSON (AP)

### HEARSAY | SUSPICION

"Yesterday we witnessed the killing of journalists again in Ukraine."

—MYKOLA TOMENKO, LAWMAKER  
ALLEGING THAT THE DEATH OF A RADIO STATION CHIEF WHO SOUGHT AFFILIATION WITH U.S.-FUNDED RADIO LIBERTY WAS NOT AN ACCIDENT, RAISING ALREADY-STRONG FEARS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST JOURNALISTS.



**OUT IN FORCE:** Railway inspectors check rails near Bayonne, southwestern France, on Thursday after a series of bomb threats.

## France's Handling of Threats Blasted

Group says public had right to know of rail plot

PARIS | A leading consumer group accused the government of jeopardizing public safety by keeping quiet — and asking media to follow suit — about extortionists' threats to attack France's busy rail network.

"The French people should have been informed of the threat, which was known and being taken seriously," the Federation of Transport

Users said in a statement.

In letters sent in December and February to President Jacques Chirac and Interior Minister Nicolas Sarkozy, the previously unknown group AZF demanded \$5.2 million and threatened nine rail targets. One letter led police to find and detonate what they described as a sophisticated bomb.

The Interior Ministry first disclosed the investigation in a fax to news organizations Tuesday asking them not to report it. La Depeche du Midi, a regional newspaper, was the only outlet not to self-censor.

Justice Minister Dominique Perben defended the government's silence. "Do you think there's any less danger this morning now that the press is talking about it?" he asked. JOCELYN GECKER (AP)

## U.S. Steps Up Patrols in Haiti, But Killings Go On

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI | U.S. Marines trained their rifles down gritty streets and into a teeming market as they patrolled the Haitian capital's streets Thursday, drawing some smiles and some hostility but no resistance.

Some passers-by held up photographs of Jean-Bertrand Aristide, who fled the country Sunday as rebels neared the capital and the United States pressed him to leave.

Despite the arrival of the vanguard of a U.N. peacekeeping mission, however, the killings continued. In Gressier, 6 miles west of Port-au-Prince, the bodies of four men were seen in the street on Thursday. All were shot in the head and three had their hands

tied behind their backs. And in Petit-Goave, residents described Thursday how a man accused of killing Aristide opponents met a brutal and tortuous end.

The previous day, residents took the man to the morgue to show him the bodies of his alleged victims, then forced him into the street, beat him and set him ablaze.

"They had to kill him," one witness said of the mob. "They had to treat evil with evil." (AP)

### AFRICAN COUNTRY HINTS IT WILL OFFER ARISTIDE ASYLUM

→ **Central African Republic will offer** Aristide permanent asylum if he asks, but may need financial help to pay for his upkeep, the government said Thursday.



A boy watches a military plane on its descent into Port-au-Prince Thursday.

"Taking on the charges for the stay and protection of a person such as Aristide will take a lot of financial effort," said Communications Minister Parfait Mbaye. (AP)

## In Brief

### GREAT BRITAIN

#### Help Wanted: Web Pastors

The Church of England on Friday announced the creation of its first "virtual parish" and invited applicants for the position of "Web pastor." The move comes at a time when the Church of England is suffering from declining attendance — down to about 2 percent of the nation on any Sunday. (AP)

### CHINA

#### Tiananmen Square Activist Released, Arrives in U.S.

Wang Youcai, a democracy activist who helped organize the 1989 Tiananmen Square protests in China, was given medical parole and arrived in the United States on Thursday. Wang was sentenced in 1998 to 11 years for activities related to his founding of the China Democracy Party. He was also one of more than a dozen student leaders of the 1989 demonstrations in Tiananmen Square that led to a military crackdown in which hundreds died. He served a year on charges related to those activities. (AP)

### EUROPE

#### Summer of 2003 the Hottest in 500 Years, Study Says

Last year's deadly summer in Europe probably was the hottest on the continent in at least five centuries, according to a study appearing this week in the journal *Science*. Record temperatures were recorded in most of the major cities of Europe last summer, with many readings over 100 degrees Fahrenheit. Authorities have attributed thousands of deaths to the excessive heat. (AP)

### EGYPT

#### Government: Brother of Al Qaeda's No. 2 in Custody

Egypt acknowledged Thursday that it is holding Mohammed al-Zawahri, the brother of al Qaeda's No. 2 man. Al-Zawahri had been believed in Egyptian police custody for at least three years, but the government never acknowledged it. He was sentenced to death in absentia in 1999 for his role in attacks by the militant group Islamic Jihad. His older brother, Ayman al-Zawahri, is the top aide to Osama bin Laden. Interior Minister Habib el-Adly said he would stand trial soon but did not say when. (AP)

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# Local

## Water Woes Lead To Investigation

### Arlington starts tests for contamination at elementary schools

WASHINGTON | As the city received an initial donation of 3,000 water filtration pitchers, officials of the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority on Thursday appointed a former prosecutor to investigate their handling of elevated lead levels in the water supply.

Meanwhile, across the Potomac River, Arlington County, Va., began testing the water in elementary schools, after lead levels in some homes were found to exceed government action levels.

Results are expected late next week on water samples taken Thursday at Arlington's elemen-

tary schools. Officials said similar tests would be run Friday at secondary schools.

The WASA board of directors retained a Washington law firm and two academic experts to do the investigation. Eric H. Holder, Jr., a former U.S. Attorney for D.C. and former deputy attorney general, will head the investigation.

The investigation is expected to be completed and results published in 60 days.

Two-hundred of the water filtration units were earmarked for delivery to licensed home day-care centers.

The rest will be distributed to homes with children under age 6 and women who are pregnant or breast-feeding — groups considered at high risk. CHEVETTA GILMORE (AP)

## Former United Way Exec. Pleads Guilty

ALEXANDRIA, VA. | A former top executive of the Washington, D.C., area United Way pleaded guilty Thursday to charges that he improperly received nearly \$500,000 from the charity and its pension fund.

Oral O. Suer, who retired as executive director of the United Way of the National Capital Area in 2001, "used the charity as his personal ATM machine," said U.S. Attorney Paul J. McNulty.

Suer, 69, admitted to interstate

transportation of stolen money, and making a false statement and concealment of facts to an employee retirement plan. He served as executive director of UWNCA for 27 years.

Suer remains free on a personal recognizance bond, with sentencing scheduled for May 14. (AP)

## The Lotteries

March 4

### DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	2-6-4 (white)
Evening Lucky Numbers	0-1-3 (white)
Mid-day DC 4	2-8-8-6
Evening DC 4	2-5-1-9
Quick Cash	28-33-7-24-25-13
Hot Five	25-24-29-14-13

### MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	4-5-6
Evening Pick 3	0-9-9
Mid-day Pick 4	0-6-5-4

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a lottery ticket location or a lottery claims office. Drawings that occur after Express's deadline will be published two days later.

Evening Pick 4	7-2-3-2
Match 5	4-11-12-16-28 Bonus: 15
Lotto (Wed.)	6-10-27-28-31-34

### VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.)	3-0-8
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	2-0-1
Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.)	9-4-9-5
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	0-6-4-1
Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.)	2-7-10-11-29
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	2-22-24-27-33
Lotto South (Wed.)	7-9-11-17-19-30

### MULTI-STATE GAMES

Powerball (Wed.)	5-11-17-23-53 (34)
Power Play	2

## Government Wins 'Jihad' Convictions

ALEXANDRIA, VA. | Three American Muslims, said to be part of a "Virginia jihad network," were convicted Thursday for a conspiracy to aid the Taliban in its fight against U.S. troops, convictions that will result in the longest prison terms the government has obtained in its war on terrorism following the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

Masoud Khan, Seifullah Chapman and Hammad Abdur-Raheem all face a potential maximum of life in prison. (AP)

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# Money

## Regulating the Final Frontier

### House approves guidelines for space tourism

WASHINGTON | Out-of-this-world vacations moved a step closer to reality Thursday with House passage of legislation setting guidelines for the future space tourism industry.

Rep. Sherwood Boehlert, R-N.Y., chairman of the House Science Committee, said that while he first thought the legislation was "a little flighty," he came to realize that "this is about a lot more than joy rides in space. This is about the future of the U.S. aerospace industry."

Laws already exist to regulate private sector space endeavors such as satellite launches, but there is no legal jurisdiction for regulating commercial human spaceflight.

American businessman Dennis Tito in 2001 became the world's first space tourist when he paid \$20 million to ride a Russian rocket to the international space station.

The House bill, which passed 402-1, gives regulatory authority over human flight to the Federal

Aviation Administration's Office of Commercial Space Transportation.

To make it easier for companies to test new types of reusable sub-orbital rockets, the bill gives the office the authority to issue experimental permits that can be obtained more quickly than licenses. The office also must come up with regulations for crews pertaining to training and medical conditions. Tourists would have to be told of the risks.

The bill now goes to the Senate. The dissenting vote was Rep. Ron Paul, R-Texas. JIM ABRAMS (AP)

### CHANGE | NEW NICKEL



**MAKEOVER:** U.S. Mint Director Henrietta Holsman Fore, left, shows off the nickel's new look Thursday. It is the coin's first redesign in 66 years. (AP)

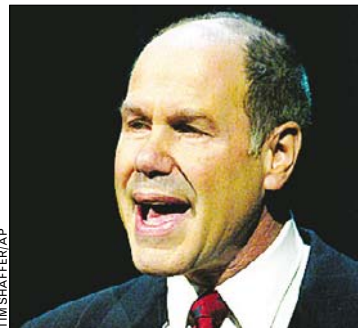
### Eisner's Future Uncertain After Disney Shake-Up

PHILADELPHIA | The shareholders of The Walt Disney Co. have spoken. But what exactly did they say?

The answer to that question remained unclear on Thursday, a day after a stunning 43 percent of Disney's shareholders withheld their votes for Michael Eisner at a marathon annual meeting.

Disney's board reacted quickly, stripping Eisner of the title of chairman and giving it to board member and former Sen. George Mitchell. Eisner remains chief executive.

The move, which included the board's unanimous endorsement of Eisner's plans for the company,



Michael Eisner speaks to shareholders at their annual meeting Wednesday.

pleased few and left many wondering what had changed at Disney.

With shares trading higher Thursday, analysts are left wondering if Eisner can continue to lead Disney until his contract expires in two years or if the board's move will be enough to fend off further assaults. GARY GENTILE (AP)

## Market Action

### New York Stock Exchange

#### Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Cavalrh h	5.09	+1.03	+25.4
LaBrnch	12.10	+1.42	+13.3
ThreeFS s	5.83	+60	+11.5
GiantIn	21.58	+1.98	+10.1
Bluegreen	11.27	+1.02	+10.0

#### Losers

QuikslvRs	36.96	-4.50	-10.9
BushInd	2.00	-.18	-8.3
GoodrPet	8.33	-.67	-7.4
Revlon	3.25	-.25	-7.1
WHX	3.70	-.25	-6.3

### Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	4.00	4.00
Fed Funds close	1.00	1.00
3-month	0.95	0.94
2-year	1.70	1.69
10-year	4.02	4.04
30-year	4.88	4.91

### NASDAQ Stock Market

#### Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Trmfrd	2.61	+1.41	+117.5
ViewptCp	2.49	+.94	+60.6
Datawatch	11.40	+3.69	+47.9
IntlAsst	10.40	+2.98	+40.2
AskJvs	29.01	+8.30	+40.1

#### Losers

EuroTech s	5.68	-2.12	-27.2
Conolog	2.68	-.78	-22.5
Abatix	4.73	-1.15	-19.6
TopImge	3.58	-.86	-19.4
DXP Ent	4.08	-.93	-18.6

### Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5485	.5467	.6324
Canadian Dollar	1.3329	1.3383	1.4786
European Euro	.8205	.8207	.9189
Japanese Yen	111.06	110.07	117.91
Mexican Peso	10.9550	11.0650	11.1210
Taiwanese Dollar	33.34	33.37	34.65

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
-5.11	+21.75	+3.84
-0.05	+1.07	+0.33
10588.00	2055.11	1154.88

### Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
Allergan	88.89	-.12	+15.7
AstraZen	49.13	+.28	+1.6
BarrPhm	77.50	+.34	+.7
BrMySq	28.19	+.06	-1.4
ForestLab	75.95	+1.12	+22.9
IvaxCp	23.55	+.37	-1.4
JohnJn	53.03	-.19	+2.7
LillyEli	73.12	+.04	+4.0
Merck	47.78	+.67	+3.4
Mylan s	23.73	+.13	-6.1
Pfizer	37.37	+.41	+5.8
SchergPI	18.06	+.15	+3.9
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Wyeth	39.60	-.24	-6.7

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# SportsWeekend

## The New LeBron

Dwight Howard is the latest high school sensation — without the hype

**BASKETBALL** | Dwight Howard is this year's LeBron James — on the court, at least.

Like James, Howard spent his senior season as a can't-miss prospect expected to jump from high school to the NBA. His stats are impressive, his skills varied, his potential limitless.

And yet, the 6-foot-11 Howard is quick to deflect praise, and he has none of the star trappings enjoyed a year ago by James. Howard drives to school in a 1984 Crown Victoria his father bought for \$900, a far cry from the custom-made Hummer that James received as a gift from his mother while in high school.

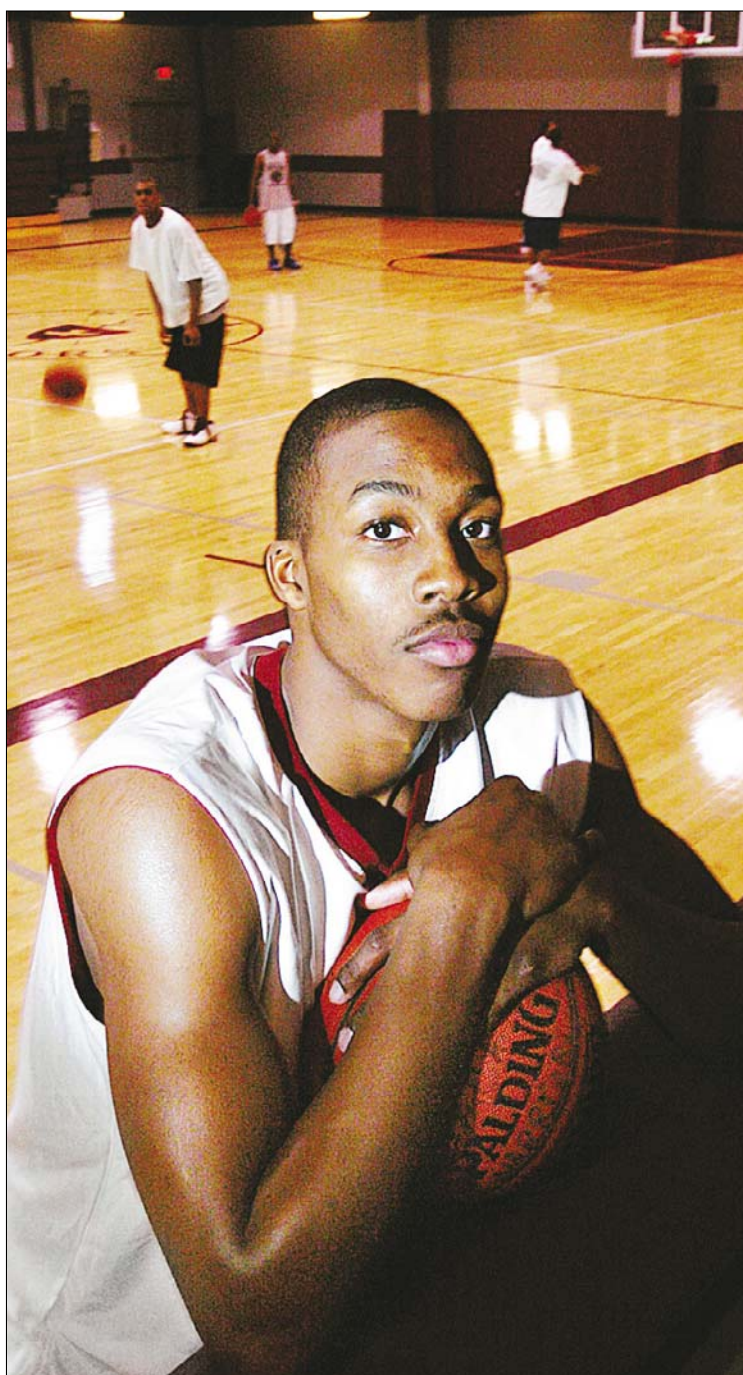
And Howard doesn't receive anywhere near LeBronesque attention.

Just this week, Sports Illustrated splashed a high school basketball star on its cover — and it wasn't Howard. Instead, the magazine chose Sebastian Telfair, a cousin of New York Knicks point guard Stephon Marbury.

In February, Telfair's Lincoln High School from Brooklyn, N.Y., beat Howard's Southwest Atlanta Christian Academy (SACA) from Atlanta, Ga. Telfair, who has committed to Louisville, also might skip college and go straight to the NBA.

If he bypasses college, Howard might end up playing for his local NBA team, just like James did when going from Akron, Ohio, to the Cleveland Cavaliers as the No. 1 overall draft pick.

The Atlanta Hawks are headed for the NBA draft lottery, and they probably would have a hard time passing up Howard if they got a chance to take him.



**CHOICES:** Southwest Atlanta Christian Academy senior Dwight Howard is likely to be a lottery pick in the NBA draft if he decides to skip college and go pro.

When he talks about his whirlwind senior season — filled with a national schedule similar to the one James played a year ago — he's most proud of the exposure his teammates are getting.

"This season — and what we've been able to do — is something they'll never forget," Howard said. "I'll probably go on and do most of this stuff later in my career, but for some of these guys, this is it. I'm glad they got some attention and got to spend some time in the limelight."

But NBA scouts are focused on Howard.

Ryan Blake, assistant director of NBA Scouting, has seen the prep phenom play twice this season. Blake is not allowed to discuss Howard's court skills; he figures Howard knows whether it makes sense to turn pro.

"He's got a good hold on what's going on, and he and his family have probably talked to all of the agents," Blake said. "In my opinion, a kid should not go unless he's going to be a high lottery pick. You see too many kids get hurt by going in the second round or not getting picked at all." KEITH PARSONS (AP)

### JUMPING TO THE PROS

- **Moses Malone:** The Hall-of-Famer scored 27,409 points and grabbed 16,212 rebounds in his 19-year career.
- **Bill Willoughby:** Averaged six points per game.
- **Kevin Garnett:** Averaging 24.7 points and 14 rebounds per game this year.
- **Kwame Brown:** The former No. 1 pick is averaging 10.6 points and 7.1 rebounds per game this season.

### TV Lineup

→ **GHOST WORLD:** Fans might not recognize the players left on the Capitals, but they will see a familiar face Friday (7 p.m. on Comcast) when former Capital Jaromir Jagr and the New York Rangers host Washington. On Saturday (8 p.m. on WB50), the Capitals host the Philadelphia Flyers, who lead the Atlantic division.



Jaromir Jagr has a chance to exact revenge on the Caps for trading him.

→ **ON THE BUBBLE:** Maryland's victory over N.C. State and Virginia's recent resurgence leave both squads fighting for a berth in the NCAA tournament. But both teams complete their regular seasons on Sunday (8 p.m. on Comcast) in College Park, Md.

→ **GRAPEFRUIT LEAGUE:** Alex Rodriguez tries out his pinstripes when the New York Yankees face the Philadelphia Phillies, who improved themselves in the off-season, in an exhibition game on Friday (1 p.m. on ESPN).

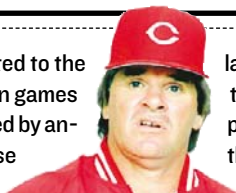


Rodriguez

→ **CELTIC PRIDE:** The Washington Wizards have won four of their last five games thanks to the play of Gilbert Arenas. Can their luck hold when they visit the Boston Celtics on Friday? (7:30 p.m. on NewsChannel 8)

→ **ROAD RAGE:** NASCAR's best are in Las Vegas for the UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400 on Sunday. (2:30 p.m. on Fox)

**WRESTLING Hall of Famer** Pete Rose may never be elected to the Major League Baseball Hall of Fame after admitting to gambling on games while managing the Cincinnati Reds, but he will soon be immortalized by another "sports" organization. According to The New York Times, Rose will be inducted into World Wrestling Entertainment's hall of fame



later this month. Rose, baseball's career hits leader, participated in three Wrestlemania events from 1998-2000 for WWE. Rose will be paid for his appearance at the March 13 induction, and at Wrestlemania the next night at Madison Square Garden. He'll be presented by Kane, his 300-pound nemesis in the Wrestlemania shows. (AP)

→ **DEVIL OF A GAME:** The Duke Blue Devils and North Carolina Tar Heels resume one of the nation's best college basketball rivalries on Saturday. (9 p.m. on ESPN)

## Top Pick Climbs The O's Ladder

**BASEBALL** | The No. 68 on his back would suggest that Adam Loewen should be lumped with all the other rookies who have virtually no shot of making the Baltimore Orioles out of spring training.

But after practice, when the 19-year-old pitcher climbs into his silver BMW and dials up the cell phone, he's got big league written all over him.

But the No. 4 pick in the 2002 draft and the Orioles' top prospect is smart enough to know he's probably two or three years away from making the opening day roster.

After signing with the Orioles last summer, Loewen debuted with Class A Aberdeen, going 0-2 with a 2.70 ERA in seven starts. He had 25 strikeouts in 23 1/3 innings.



**BALTIMORE BOUND:** Prospect Adam Loewen is expected to be a star.

His goal in his second professional season is less about compiling impressive numbers than merely taking another step or two on the path to Baltimore. "I just want to get a full season in, healthy and strong, and maybe get into AA or high A," said Loewen. **DAVID GINSBURG (AP)**

## A Change in Course

Transgender golfer makes history at Aussie Open

**GOLF** | Mianne Bagger was aware of all the attention on her at the Women's Australian Open, and it took a while for her to calm down.

After a year in which seven women competed in men's tournaments, Bagger made history Thursday as the first transsexual to play in a pro golf tournament.

"I want to play professional golf and have the same opportunities as other women," she said.

Bagger struggled mightily, though, shooting a 12-over 84 to drop 16 strokes behind first-round leaders Laura Davies and Christina Kuld.

Bagger was born a male in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1966 and began playing golf as an 8-year-old.

Bagger got down to a 4-handi-



**TEED OFF:** Mianne Bagger shot a 12-over-par 84 in the first round of the Australian Open on Thursday.

cap, but stopped playing golf in 1992 to begin a transformation to a female with hormone therapy. Bagger had the sex-change operation three years later, then resumed playing in 1998.

She won the South Australian State Championship for amateurs in 1999, 2001 and 2002, and turned pro last summer by joining the Danish PGA.

Another transsexual, Renee Richards, faced some opposition when she played on the women's tennis tour in the 1970s. Bagger, though, is being welcomed.

"She's a girl now, let her have a go," Davies said.

This event might be the only chance Bagger gets.

The LPGA Tour, U.S. Golf Association and the Ladies European Tour have policies that players must be female at birth. **(AP)**

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## Redskins Welcome Portis

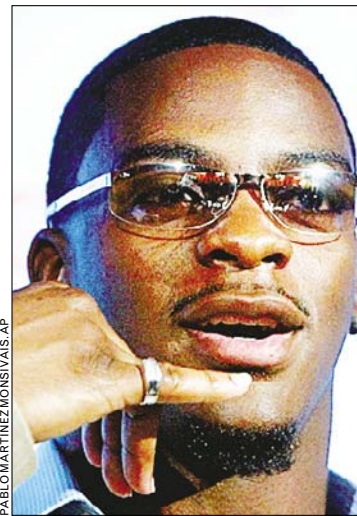
Running back says he will be more valuable to team than Bailey

PRO FOOTBALL | Clinton Portis received about 100 phone calls from NFL players when word got out that he was going to sign a \$50 million contract with the Washington Redskins.

The messages? "Tell 'em to come get me," said Portis, relating the story Thursday at a news conference to announce his arrival in a trade that sent cornerback Champ Bailey to the Denver Broncos.

Joe Gibbs, coach of the free-spending Redskins, jokingly asked Portis with mock urgency for those other players' phone numbers.

Portis signed an eight-year, \$50.5 million deal with \$17 million in bonuses. Bailey becomes



PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIEVAIS/AP

Clinton Portis describes the many calls he got when signing with the Redskins.

the NFL's highest-paid cornerback with a seven-year, \$63 million contract.

The Redskins added Bailey's

replacement Thursday, signing free-agent cornerback Shawn Springs for \$30 million over six years.

Portis and Springs joined quarterback Mark Brunell and defensive linemen Cornelius Griffin and Phillip Daniels as new acquisitions for the Redskins.

Washington also re-signed linebacker Kevin Mitchell and long snapper Ethan Albright. Free-agent punter Tom Tupa and Indianapolis Colts linebacker Marcus Washington were scheduled to visit, too, and negotiations continued with tight end Walter Rasby.

Portis claimed that he would be more valuable to Washington than Bailey. "I have a chance to control what happens in the game," said Portis. "I have the ball, and I'm the only one that knows what I'm going to do with it." JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

## NBA

## EASTERN CONFERENCE

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New York	27	35	.435	11	2-8 20-16
Boston	26	36	.419	12	3-7 17-24
Miami	25	36	.410	12.5	4-6 16-20
Philadelphia	24	37	.393	13.5	3-7 17-22
Washington	20	39	.339	16.5	4-6 12-26
Orlando	17	46	.270	21.5	4-6 13-29

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Indiana	45	16	.738	—	8-2 29-10
Detroit	38	25	.603	8	5-5 26-15
Milwaukee	33	27	.550	11.5	6-4 26-13
New Orleans	33	28	.541	12	6-4 24-18
Toronto	26	35	.426	19	1-9 16-22
Cleveland	25	36	.410	20	6-4 19-20
Atlanta	20	41	.328	25	3-7 12-25
Chicago	18	43	.295	27	4-6 15-20

## WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Minnesota	44	17	.721	—	8-2 21-12
San Antonio	40	21	.656	4	7-3 21-13
Dallas	39	21	.650	4.5	7-3 24-14
Memphis	37	24	.607	7	8-2 22-16
Houston	34	26	.567	9.5	5-5 13-20
Denver	33	29	.532	11.5	4-6 21-18
Utah	31	30	.508	13	6-4 18-19

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Sacramento	44	15	.746	—	8-2 25-13
L.A. Lakers	39	21	.650	5.5	8-2 20-16
Portland	29	31	.483	15.5	5-5 14-24
Seattle	27	34	.443	18	3-7 17-21
Golden State	25	34	.424	19	4-6 16-22
L.A. Clippers	25	35	.417	19.5	3-7 11-22
Phoenix	21	41	.339	24.5	3-7 12-25

Standings through March 3.

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## EASTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	37	17	7	5	86	196	151
Florida	24	27	14	3	65	149	172
Atlanta	27	32	6	2	62	182	207
Carolina	20	28	13	4	57	123	160
Washington	20	36	8	2	50	154	199

ATLANTIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Philadelphia	34	16	12	6	86	195	156
New Jersey	34	20	11	1	80	163	133
N.Y. Islanders	30	23	10	3	73	186	167
N.Y. Rangers	23	31	7	5	58	172	195
Pittsburgh	13	43	6	4	36	137	253

NORTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Toronto	36	19	9	3	84	191	168
Ottawa	35	17	9	5	84	219	144
Boston	31	16	13	7	82	170	154
Montreal	34	26	6	2	76	171	155
Buffalo	29	30	6	1	65	170	181

## WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Detroit	38	17	9	2	87	210	151
Nashville	32	24	8	2	74	169	173
St. Louis	29	26	8	2	68	148	165
Columbus	20	35	8	4	52	146	192
Chicago	18	34	9	5	50	153	197

NORTHWEST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Colorado	33	16	12	5	83	193	155
Vancouver	35	19	8	4	82	192	155
Calgary	33	25	5	3	74	159	146
Edmonton	27	27	10	2	66	177	172
Minnesota	21	26	17	2	61	143	151

PACIFIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
San Jose	33	16	11	6	83	172	140
Dallas	33	22	11	0	77	151	144
Los Angeles	25	18	15	7	72	172	170
Anaheim	24	26	9	8	65	149	171
Phoenix	20	26	15	5	60	165	200

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# Back in the Saddle

In 'Hidalgo,' an American horseman rides into the history books

FILM | Viggo Mortensen goes from ruling Middle-earth to racing across the Middle East in "Hidalgo," a movie so retro it's almost quaint.

Mortensen plays cowboy Frank T. Hopkins. A famed long-distance rider, Hopkins competed with his mustang, Hidalgo, in a 3,000-mile race across the Arabian desert in 1890. And he was the unexpected winner of (and first American in) the event, known ominously as the Ocean of Fire.

His story has resulted in a big, beautiful film that could have come out 40 years ago, full of horses and camels and scorpions, with blinding sun and brutal terrain. The American underdog is the unequivocal good guy and all the Arabs are baddies, and there's no doubt who will win in the end.

But despite the sweeping vistas and dazzling sunsets, it's hard not to be distracted by how derivative director Joe Johnston's film is.

"Lawrence of Arabia" obviously springs to mind, especially with Omar Sharif playing the powerful



**DUST IN THE WIND:** He's rugged and handsome; the guy riding him isn't bad either.

Sheikh Riyadh, against whose horses Hopkins is competing.

Mortensen's permanently cheeky manner is right out of the "Indiana Jones" movies; the character's journey from post-Wounded Knee inebriation to self-possessed steeliness in a foreign land recalls Tom Cruise in "The Last Samurai," which in turn recalled Kevin Costner in "Dances With Wolves."

A suffocating sandstorm and an attack of locusts are reminiscent of the Brendan Fraser "Mummy" movies. And, "Seabiscuit"-style, the rider is too big and the horse is too small, and no one thinks they can win.

The race itself is the most boring part of a film that's too often sluggishly paced. After the riders bolt from the starting line at full speed and leave the spectators' sight, they slow to a walk across the merciless expanses of sand.

It's hard to understand why Hopkins would subject himself to such torture; John Fusco's script doesn't give Mortensen much to work with — he has to depend on his quiet intensity and rugged good looks. And the horse is no slouch at acting, either. You almost expect it to talk — it's a Disney horse, after all — but the film is too staid and old-school to allow such a thing.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

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# Boys Will Be Boys

FILM | They could have played Ponch and John or Crockett and Tubbs or even Lenny and Squiggy — and they probably will some day.

For now, you can sit back and watch the sporadically amusing familiarity of Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson bouncing off each other in "Starsky & Hutch."

It's not so much a movie version of the 1970s buddy-cop TV show as it is "Zoolander" with guns. Here, as in that 2001 movie about dimwitted male models, Stiller plays the uptight guy who takes himself too seriously and Wilson plays the easy-

going guy whom everyone likes.

That these off-screen friends have established such an easy on-screen camaraderie is a good thing and a bad thing. They're obviously comfortable with each other and they can be fun to watch, though the script amounts to little more than a series of sketches loosely held together by the grooves of a chicka-chicka-wa-wa soundtrack and the growls of Starsky's Gran Torino engine.

Director Todd Phillips's attention to detail is obsessive, from the bad perms and fu manchu mustaches



**DOES THIS FRINGE MAKE ME LOOK FAT?** TV's coolest cops are just good friends.

to the 8-track tapes and pimped-out Lincoln Continental that Snoop Dogg drives as Huggy Bear, Starsky and Hutch's informant.

There is a semblance of a plot, involving a murder and an undetectable new drug ("New Coke"),

but what's more important is the bond between the boys.

If the TV show had a vague homoerotic vibe, the movie practically outs them. Not that there's anything wrong with that.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

**TWO THUMBS UP?** Or 10 toes? Get the verdict on the latest film releases in today's *Washington Post*.

**Eye on Africa:** A champagne reception, special guest and a live band help kick off the New African Films Festival at Visions Bar Noir, featuring films from 11 countries. | *Weekend*

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# Boy Wizard to Become Warlock?

PUBLISHING | Harry Potter may be set to grow up.

Writer J.K. Rowling hinted that she may not stop at seven books about the adventures of the young wizard and may write a further installment featuring the adult Harry.

In a live Web chat to mark World Book Day, Rowling — who has always insisted she'll write only seven Potter books — was asked by a fan if she intended to write books about Harry after he leaves Hogwarts, the academy for wizards.

"Probably not. But I'll never say never because every time I do I immediately break the vow," she replied.

Rowling, whose wealth was recently estimated at \$1 billion, is writing the sixth Potter book. The most recent installment is "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix." All the books have been published by Scholastic.

"I can't say when it will be released because that's down to my publishers," she said. "But it's



Rowling hinted that Harry Potter's adventures may continue post-Hogwarts.

going really well. I am loving writing it."

She promised the latest book would include more romance for Harry, but hinted he would also face a terrible ordeal. She added that she planned to try a "completely different genre" of writing when she has finished the seventh book.

More than 16,000 Potter fans submitted questions during the hour-long discussion. (AP)



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Reviews by The Washington Post's  
Ann Hornaday, Michael O'Sullivan  
and Desson Thomson.

**50 FIRST DATES** (PG-13, 96 minutes)  
Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore star  
in a partly charming, partly crass roman-  
tic comedy about a reformed womanizer  
courting a brain-damaged woman who  
can't remember her suitor from one day  
to the next. Sure, there's some gross-out  
humor, but the film — whose message is  
that love, like antiperspirant, must be re-  
applied every day — is ultimately more  
sweet than sour. Call it a chick flick for  
guys. (MO)

**AGAINST THE ROPES** (PG-13, 111 minutes)  
This formulaic boxing picture, based on  
the life of female boxing manager Jackie  
Kallen (spunky Meg Ryan), hits all the  
predictable marks. Naturally, Kallen has  
to overcome sexism and the underdog  
status of her chief fighter (Omar Epps) to  
achieve the kind of victory we have been  
conditioned to from expect this sort of  
thing. They don't make many boxing mov-  
ies about losers. (MO)

**BROKEN LIZARD'S CLUB DREAD** (R, 103  
minutes) Even by its own low-ball stan-  
dards, this falls short. The five-man comedy  
troupe Broken Lizard opt for graphic gags  
instead of actual com-  
edy. The troupe's 2001  
"Super Troopers" had  
its moments, but here



Daniel

no one — including the usual Broken  
Lizard gang as well as "real" actors  
Bill Paxton and Brittany Daniel — is  
the slightest bit motivated to work the  
humor. (DT)

**CONFESSIONS OF A TEENAGE DRAMA  
QUEEN** (PG, 86 minutes) The only  
real drama — or comedy, for that mat-  
ter — in this antic tale of a 15-year-old  
Manhattanite (Lindsay Lohan) trying  
to cope with a move to the New Jersey  
'burbs is in the title. You say there's no  
"comedy" in the title? Exactly. Only fit-  
fully amusing thanks to Lohan's natural  
charisma, the movie tells the lie that life  
is a series of fairy-tale happy endings  
where the unjust are punished and the  
just are really cute. (MO)

**DIRTY DANCING: HAVANA NIGHTS** (PG-  
13, 87 minutes) Doesn't begin to live up  
to the giddy energy, romance and ter-  
rific dancing of its progenitor. Indeed,  
the best thing about it is an incandes-  
cent but all-too-brief appearance by  
original "Dirty Dancing" star Patrick  
Swayze himself. (AH)

**THE DREAMERS** (NC-17, 115 minutes)  
There's so much frank sex and fron-  
tal nudity in Bernardo Bertolucci's  
latest — a tale of friendship and more  
between an American student (Michael  
Pitt) and very close French twins — that  
some viewers might not notice that it's  
also a movie about ideas. Themes involv-  
ing the conflict between idealism and  
reality and the power of art to feed our  
souls percolate through the steam and  
give us something to think about as well  
as look at. (MO)



ZDENK VAVRA/DREAMWORKS

"Dear Mom and Dad: So far Europe is  
not like America in that it is different."

**EUROTRIP** (R, 92 minutes) The produc-  
ers of this mediocre movie let bathroom  
humor, lewd scenarios and gratuitous  
nudity color their European landscape.  
The film promotes the stereotype of  
the gawking, ignorant American tour-  
ists who invade Europe every summer  
without regard to the people or their cul-  
tures. (SARAH GEBHARDT)

**OSAMA** (PG-13, 82 minutes) The first

entirely Afghan film shot since the rise  
and fall of the Taliban, Siddiq Barma's  
crushingly tragic story follows a young  
girl (Marina Golbahri) forced to disguise  
herself as a boy in order to find work when  
her mother loses her job and is prevented  
from leaving the house due to the restric-  
tive policies of the Taliban. The girl calls  
herself Osama, but her ruse is revealed  
when she's sent to a school-cum-Taliban  
training facility, leading to, not an execu-  
tion, but a fate that nevertheless holds a  
death of the spirit. (MO)

**TWISTED** (R, 96 minutes) Ashley Judd  
has become the go-to girl when you're  
casting your sleek psychological crime  
thriller. She's slumming  
again in this nasty, for-  
mulaic and unforgiv-  
ably obvious proce-  
dural that involves her  
ex-boyfriends turning  
up dead. The whole  
thing crashes into an  
improbable, occasionally risible and,  
well, twisted heap. (AH)



Judd

**WELCOME TO MOOSEPORT** (PG-13, 115  
minutes) Small-screen nice guy Ray  
Romano just doesn't have the oomph to  
carry off this comedic belly-flop about a  
small-town Maine hardware-store owner  
running for mayor against a beloved ex-  
president (Gene Hackman). The film's  
worst crime is the forced parade of quaint  
wackos and endearing oddballs meant  
to evoke eccentric charm. (MO)

## Sunday in The Washington Post

### Critter Patter:

Newcomer Caroline Dhavernas  
plays Jane Tyler  
in "Wonderfalls,"  
Fox's eccentric  
new series in  
which a Niagara  
Falls souvenir  
seller hears the  
voices of inani-  
mate animals. |  
*TV Week*



### This Sud's for Me:

Sure, you can brew your own beer;  
all you need is our primer on the  
equipment, ingredients and time  
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### Aren't You That Guy?

As long as there are parts for charm-  
ing-yet-sinister men with icy eyes,  
character actor J.K. Simmons will  
have a job. | *Arts*

### Spring Travel Issue:

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## 'Help' in Need of Help

**NEW SITCOM** | Not all stupid sitcoms are alike. Some are profoundly stupid. "The Help" (premiering Friday, 9:30 p.m., WB) is among the latter. The network calls it, "An outrageous new comedy about class warfare."

"The Help" opens with a shot of an elderly man leering at the rhythmic movement of Maria's (Camille Guaty) hips and posteri-

or as she vigorously mops the floor. Seconds later, this attractive, second-generation domestic is summoned to clean up dog feces.

Maria is part of the very large staff and very large cast of "The Help." She trades dim wisecracks with Dwayne (Antonio Sabato Jr.), the muscle-bound trainer; Ollie, the "player" chauffeur (Al Santos); Maggie, the cook (Mindy Cohn);

Anna, the oversexed Nanny (Marika Dominczyk); and Molly, the high-strung dog walker (Tori Spelling). If you ever wanted to see Tori Spelling deliver monologues about life's many injustices, here's your chance.

Members of the rich Ridgeway family have little to do except behave in a lazy, vile and occasionally cruel manner. Arlene (Brenda Strong), the matriarch, accuses the staff of stealing \$1,000 from her room. Faced with unemployment, the gang run down to



Yes, she is a sassy maid and yes, her name is Maria.

JAMES SORESEN/WB

their ATMs to withdraw \$150 apiece to replace the stolen loot. Did it occur to the writers that some domestic workers might not have easy access to such sums, or even do their banking at automatic tellers or even do their banking at ATMs?

The makers of this series want us to identify with the "The Help," but it's clear from their creation that they're far more familiar with the behavior and attitudes of the Ridgeways. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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### APPOINTMENT TV. OR ELSE



Gandolfini returns for its fifth season with several new characters and a boatload of unresolved issues, from the breakup of Tony (James Gandolfini) and Carmela (Edie Falco) to a mess of fresh-out-of-prison mobsters. Just when you think you're comfortable with these characters, understand them and even like them, violence erupts in the most sudden and unsettling manner, reminding you that, for all of the awkward titters, this is still a mob drama, and a challenging and occasionally brilliant show that continues to redefine the gangster genre.

**MUST YEE-HAW TV**  
The country cousin to "American Idol,"

**NASHVILLE STAR** (Sat., 10 p.m., USA), returns for a second season. Last year's winner Buddy Jewell lived up to the show's label, selling more records than any other new country artist in 2003. During the debut episode, 11 finalists will be chosen from a field of 20. "Star" will capture the tension and shenanigans as the finalists share a Nashville home during the competitions.

**RECLUSIVE NOVELIST REFLECTS MAKING HISTORY WITH ROGER MUDD** (Sat., 7 p.m., History) Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist John Updike discusses writing, reading and his career. A notable chronicler of American marriage, divorce and most notably shifting sexual mores, Updike will discuss his vast body of work that spans more than five decades. While several of his novels have been turned into



Updike

movies, Updike has resisted Hollywood's siren song. He did, however, appear (in animated form) on an episode of "The Simpsons" in which he portrayed Krusty's beleaguered ghostwriter.

**ME SPONGE; YOU PLANKTON**  
**SPONGEBOB GOES PREHISTORIC** (Fri., 8 p.m., Nickelodeon) Popular underwater critters discover their Neanderthal counterparts.

**HIS WORST NIGHTMARE**  
**MONK** (Fri., 10 p.m., USA) The claustrophobic sleuth goes undercover on death row on the second-season finale.

**COCONUT SHELLS MAKE SMART CANDLEHOLDERS**  
**THAT '60S HOME** (Sun., 9 p.m., HGTV) Dawn Wells ("Gilligan's Island") hosts a glance back at the bright colors, bold new fabrics and audacious space-age and pop-art influenced furniture designs that defined the flower-power decade. In other nostalgia news, E! presents a five-night flashback to the Clinton era with



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**FAITHFUL ADAPTATION:** Jill Peterson with John and Joan Cusack in "High Fidelity."

**101 REASONS THE '90S RULED.** (nightly through Thursday, 10 p.m., E!).

**CULT CHOICE**  
**HIGH FIDELITY** (Fri., 9 p.m., Bravo) The slacker owner of a record store (John Cusack) looks back at his love life in this

2000 adaptation of Nick Hornby's novel featuring memorable performances by Iben Hjejle, Todd Louiso, Jack Black, Lisa Bonet, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Joan Cusack and Tim Robbins. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

3.5.04	6:00 PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
LOCAL CHANNELS	WRC [4]	News [6]		NBC News	Hollywood	Dateline NBC [6]		Dateline NBC (N) [6]	Third Watch "Family Ties"	News [6]	Tonight Show	
	WTTG [5]	Simpsons	Simpsons	Friends [6]	Seinfeld [6]	Test the Nation 2 (iTV) (Live) [6]			News	Simpsons	Drew Carey	
	WJLA [7]	News [6]	ABC News	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Lopez	Married	Hope & Faith	Life-Bonnie	News [6]	Nightline [6]	
	WUSA [9]	News [6]	CBS News	USA Tonight	Ent. Tonight	Joan of Arcadia [6]		JAG "Touchdown" [6]	48 Hours Investigates [6]	News [6]	Late Show	
	WDCA [20]	Moesha [6]	The Hughleys	'70s Show	'70s Show	★ ★ ½ "Operation Condor" (1991) Jackie Chan. [6]			Seinfeld [6]	Raymond	Dharma-Greg	Dharma-Greg
	WMPT [22]	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Business Rpt.	State Circle	Wash. Week	Wall-Fortune	Now With Bill Moyers (N) [6]		Roy Orbison & Friends -- A Black and White Night [6]			
BASIC CABLE	WETA [26]	World News	Business Rpt.	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Wash. Week	Wall-Fortune	Now With Bill Moyers (N) [6]		American Soundtrack: This Land Is Your Land [6]			
	WHUT [32]	White House	Uncommon	World News	MoneyWise	Evening Exchange	America: Colour Line		World News	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose (N) [6]	
	WBDC [50]	The Parkers	Steve Harvey	The Parkers	NBA Basketball Washington Wizards at Boston Celtics. (Live)				Will & Grace	Just Shoot	Will & Grace	Blind Date (N)
	A&E	City Confidential [6]		American Justice	★ ★ ★ "Escape From Alcatraz" (1979) Clint Eastwood. Premiere. [6]				Airline [6]		Third Watch "Firestarter" [6]	
	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter [6]		Animals	Planet's Funniest Animals	Funniest Animals Special			Animal Cops Detroit [6]		Planet's Funniest Animals	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live		★ ★ ½ "Clockers" (1995, Drama) Harvey Keitel, John Turturro. Premiere.					Comicview		Nightly News	Music
BASIC CABLE	Bravo	Celebrity Poker Showdown		Inside the Actors Studio	Queer Eye for Straight Guy	★ ★ ★ "High Fidelity" (2000) John Cusack.			★ ★ ★ "The Dead Zone" (1983) 'R' [6]			
	Comedy	Late Night [6]		Daily Show	Mad TV [6]	Comic Remix	World Comedy Tour 2 [6]	Presents	Presents	Presents	Presents	
	Court	Profiler [6]		Cops [6]	Cops [6]	Forensic	I, Detective	Forensic	Masterminds	The System	NYPD Blue [6]	
	Discovery	Monster Garage (N)		Monster House		Monster House [6]	American Chopper	American Chopper		American Hot Rod (N)	Monster House [6]	
	DISCH	Rescue 911	Rescue 911	Paramedics [6]		Trauma: Life in the ER	Impact: Stories of Survival	Resident Life [6]		Resident Life [6]	Trauma: Life in the ER	
	Disney	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister	That's-Raven	Lizzie	★ ½ "Seventeen Again" (2000, Fantasy) Tia Mowry. [6]		Barbarian	That's-Raven	Kim Possible	Proud Family	
BASIC CABLE	E!	Award-Fashion Police		E! News (N)	Love Chain	Missy Elliott: True Story	Celebrities Uncensored	Good to Be	Love Chain	Howard Stern	Howard Stern	
	FX	Married...	Married...	Cops [6]	Cops [6]	★ ★ ½ "Point Break" (1991, Drama) Patrick Swayze, Keanu Reeves.			Cops [6]	The Shield "Co-Pilot" [6]		
	HGTV	Before Aft	Building	Curb Appeal	House	Debbie Travis' Facelift [6]	Divine Design	Divine Design	Decorating	Decorating	Outer Spaces	Landscapers
	Family	Full House	Full House	7th Heaven [6]		★ ★ "Summer Catch" (2001) Freddie Prinze Jr. [6]			Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club [6]	
	History	Murders	Murders	Modern Marvels [6]		Dead Men's Secrets (N)	M1 Abrams: Supertank! [6]	Modern Marvels [6]		History's Crimes & Trials		
	Lifetime	The Nanny	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	The Nanny	"I've Been Waiting For You" (1998) Sarah Chalke. [6]			Merge [6]		
BASIC CABLE	MTV	Music Videos [6]		Bad Boy Top 10 (N) [6]		TRL (iTV) [6]	Music Videos [6]	MTV After Hours Videos. [6]				
	NICK	U-Pick [6]	Sabrina	Rugrats [6]	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Roseanne [6]	Roseanne [6]	
	SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 [6]		Tremors: The Series [6]		Tremors: The Series [6]	Stargate SG-1 (N) [6]	Stargate SG-1 "Fallen" [6]		Stargate SG-1 [6]		
	SPIKE	Real TV [6]	Real TV [6]	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		
	TBS	Home Imp.	Seinfeld [6]	Seinfeld [6]	Friends [6]	★ ★ "Rush Hour 2" (2001) (PA) Jackie Chan. Premiere.		★ ★ "Rush Hour 2" (2001, Action) (PA) Jackie Chan. [6]				
	TLC	Clean Sweep		Trading Spaces: Family		While You Were Out	While You Were Out (N)	What Not to Wear "Cynthia"		While You Were Out		
BASIC CABLE	TNT	Charmed [6]		Law & Order "Scrambled"		Law & Order [6] (DVS)	★ ★ ★ ½ "Seven" (1995, Suspense) Brad Pitt, Morgan Freeman. [6]				Dracula 2000	
	USA	Walker, Texas Ranger [6]		JAG "JAGTV" [6]		Law & Order	Monk (Season Finale) (N)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent				
	VHI	Behind the Music [6]		Fabulous Life	When Disco Ruled	★ ★ ★ "Grease" (1978, Musical) John Travolta, Olivia Newton-John. [6]		Best Week		Fabulous Life		
	TELEM	Corte-Pueblo	Noticiero	Pasión de Gavilanes		Amor Descarado	El Alma Herida	Mujeres Apasionadas		Noticiero Tel.	Laura	
	UNIV	Viviana	Noticiero	Amar Otra Vez		Velo de Novia	Bajo la Misma Piel	Casos de la Vida Real		Impacto	Noticiero	
SPORTS	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) [6]		NBA Shootaround [6]		NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at San Antonio Spurs. (Live) [6]		NBA Basketball: Nets at Warriors				
	ESPN2	Table Tennis	Table Tennis	Dream Job [6]		Best of Poker	World Series	Boxing: Julio Garcia vs. Verno Phillips		SportsCenter (Live) [6]		
	CSN	NASCAR	SportsNite	NHL Hockey Washington Capitals at New York Rangers. (Live)			Postgame	SportsNite	Gary Williams	Best Damn Sports Show		
	CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360 [6]		Paula Zahn Now [6]	Larry King Live [6]	NewsNight-Aaron Brown		Lou Dobbs Tonight		
	FNC	Special Report (Live) [6]		Fox Report-Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor [6]	Hannity & Colmes [6]	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		
	MSNBC	The Abrams Report (Live)		Hardball (Live) [6]		Countdown-Olbermann	Deborah Norville Tonight	Scarborough Country (Live)		Hardball [6]		
MOVIES	AMC	★ ★ ★ "Angel and the Badman" (1947) John Wayne. 'NR'				★ ★ "History of the World: Part I" (1981) Mel Brooks. 'R'		★ ★ ½ "Darkman II: The Return of Durant" (1995) 'R'				
	TCM	(4:30) Kim 'G'	★ ★ ★ "Stars in My Crown" (1950) 'G' [6]			★ ★ ★ "Tora! Tora! Tora!" (1970, Drama) Jason Robards. Premiere. 'G'		★ ★ ½ "The Last Run" (1971) 'GP' [6]				
	HBO	(5:45) ★ ★ ★ "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993) Robin Williams. [6]				Real Time (Live) [6]	★ ★ ½ "Eraser" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. 'R' [6]	Curb-Enthsm		Real Time [6]		
	MAX	The Abyss	"The Girl Gets Moe" (1997) Tony Danza.			(15) ★ ½ "Queen of the Damned" (2002) [6] 'R' [6]	★ ★ "Basic" (2003) John Travolta. 'R' [6]	Best Sex				
	SHO	★ ★ ★ "Flatliners" (1990) Kiefer Sutherland. 'R' [6]				★ "Serving Sara" (2002) Matthew Perry.	Movie News	Dead Like Me (iTV) [6]		Family Biz	Family Biz	
	TMC	★ ★ ★ "Bull Durham" (1988) Kevin Costner. 'R' [6]				★ "Too Smooth" (1998) Dean Paras. 'R'	★ ★ ★ ½ "Ulee's Gold" (1997, Drama) Peter Fonda. [6] 'R'	Taxi Driver				
MOVIES	STARZ!	(5:00) ★ ★ "Shining Through" (1992) 'R'		(15) ★ ★ ½ "The Lizzie McGuire Movie"		★ ★ ★ "The Preacher's Wife" (1996) Denzel Washington.		(15) ★ ★ ★ ½ "Chicago" [6]				
	ENCORE	"Car 54, Where Are You?"	(15) ★ ★ ½ "Ultimate X"		★ ★ ½ "Blade II" (2002) Wesley Snipes. [6] 'R' [6]		★ ★ "Daylight" (1996) Sylvester Stallone. [6] 'PG-13' [6]					

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5 spd, 58,316 mi, silver, CD, Insp, AC, PW/PDL, PS, Cruise, \$9500, 202-498-4802



Shopping List | First Steps

Shock and Awww

The cooing will be deafening at **K BABY's** opening today in Georgetown (3112 M St. NW; 202-333-3939; [www.kbaby.com](http://www.kbaby.com)). And we suggest you stock up on some synonyms for “cute,” as well.

The new infant store wraps furniture, clothing, accessories and gifts into a tidy bundle of you-know-what. Clothing is arranged by color, with layette up front and sizes up to 4T beyond. French brands are favored, such as handmade frocks from Les Petits Chapelais.

Price ranges traverse the spectrum from doting grandparent — \$212 for the classic Georgetown ensemble of a white V-neck sweater, bermuda shorts and a polo shirt, from Charabia — to college niece, such as Mak the Yak's knit sets for \$23. There's also a “gift bar,” where you can fill a basket with wee stuffed animals, puffy plastic books and more; op-artY Isabella Fiore diaper bags (\$295 for the smaller size); old-school christening gowns by Tosha Hays; and person-alizables like sweaters (\$88), fleece blankets (\$85 to \$100) and painted signs (\$80). HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)



**ORGANIZATIONAL MART:** From obsessives who must sort their board-game pieces in tiny plastic compartments to gals who just want to replace all their wire hangers with pink and purple padded plastic, a Container Store is great news. A new branch opens Saturday at the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and River Road (Tenleytown Metro). (EXPRESS)

Home & Shopping

COUNT TO \$10

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

\$9 Chinese Mesh Slippers

Don't call them “plastic house shoes” — even if that's what they are. They're “Chinese mesh slippers.” Or, as they are mysteriously known on eBay, “Paris Hilton Chinese mesh slippers.” Worn indoors and out, the colorful flip-flop stand-ins have been observed on local college campuses. We found them for \$9 at Village Art & Craft in Georgetown (1353 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-1968). That's \$1 less than at Urban Outfitters a few blocks away (3111 M St. NW; 202-342-1012). They sell for \$5 or so at various borderline-sketchy online vendors. (EXPRESS)



**Make photo votive candles:** Set your mementos aglow (no, not afire). In the Washington Post, Sunday Source.

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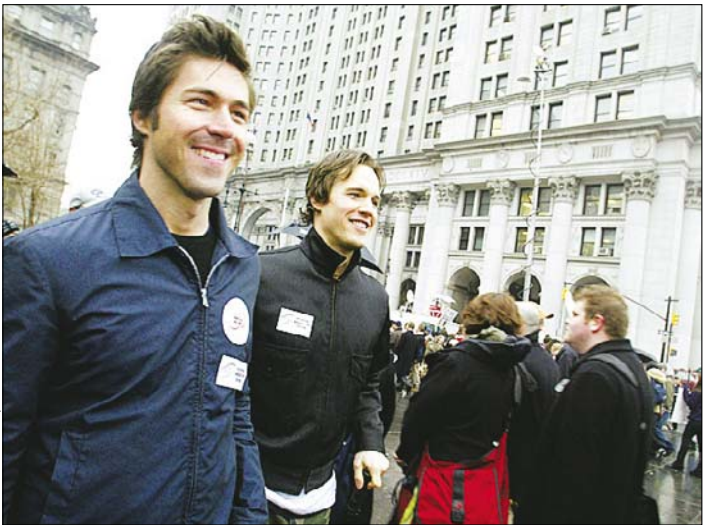
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PROTESTS  
'Tszuj' This!

KYAN DOUGLAS, left, the "Grooming" aspect of the "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" gang, and friend GREG DURHAM attend a rally in support of gay marriage outside of the Municipal Building in New York on Thursday. State Attorney General Eliot Spitzer said that the state's domestic relations law does not authorize the issuance of licenses to same-sex couples in New York. (AP)

DEMOTIONS  
If You Don't Like Her Voice, Just Say So. We Understand

DaimlerChrysler AG says it is reducing CELINE DION's role in advertising for Chrysler. The singer has a three-year, \$14 million contract and appeared in an ad campaign widely used last year. "We're just moving into an exciting new direction," Chrysler spokesman David Barnas said. "I'm not at all saying she wasn't a good fit." Dion will appear in a new series of Chrysler public service ads aimed at promoting child safety. (AP)



BATTLES  
Ireland to Be Shared Equally

ALEC BALDWIN and ex-wife KIM BASINGER have resolved their custody battle over their 8-year-old daughter, Ireland, Baldwin's attorney said. Baldwin was seeking an "equal share" of parenting with Basinger. A Los Angeles Superior Court judge ruled in favor of Baldwin, the television program "Celebrity Justice" reported. (AP)



Alec and Kim, back when we cared.

WHINERS  
Sure, Blame the Woman

ETHAN HAWKE says that after five years of marriage, his love with Uma Thurman got "beaten up." "It is very

difficult for any couple who are married if both people ... are very ambitious," the 33-year-old actor says in an interview airing on ABC's "20/20" at 10 p.m. Friday. "I don't know

DEEDS  
Beyonce Saves Elderly Man! Wait, It Was Just Her Band

BEYONCE's band came to the aid of a 91-year-old driver on Tuesday, chasing and holding down a suspected carjacker in Palm Beach, Fla. Police said Reynold Caleen tried to fight off the knife-wielding suspect, who grabbed the elderly man's wallet outside a Walgreen's store. Lead guitarist Shaun Carrington, bass guitarist Kern Brantley and drummer

Nisan Stewart, in town to rehearse, pulled in front of the suspect as he tried to drive away in Caleen's car, then chased him on foot when he ran. A Walgreen's employee tackled the suspect; the bandmates held him down until police arrived. Later, Caleen's wife, Faye, confessed that the couple had never heard of Beyonce. (AP)



NON-OPINIONS  
'I'm Too Smart to Answer Most Questions, In Fact'

"I'm really too smart to answer a question like that," STEVEN SPIELBERG said when asked Wednesday to comment on "The Passion of the Christ," according to The Hollywood Reporter. Spielberg, who has not seen the film, was at a news conference about the "Schindler's List" DVD. "I certainly am not going to comment based on circumstantial evidence from what I've been hearing and feeling," he said. "When I do see the film, the first person who will hear from me will be Mel Gibson and no one else." (EXPRESS)

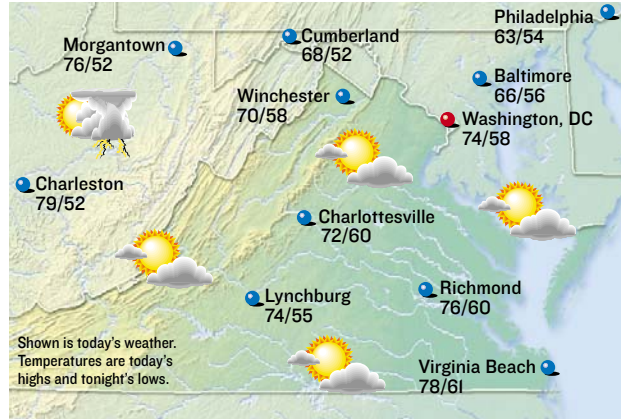


"Yes. I use about this much whole-wheat linguini with the primavera."

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Becoming partly sunny, windy.	Breezy and mild; a shower or t-storm late	Rain for a time, then mostly cloudy; mild	Sunny early, then increasingly cloudy	Windy and cool, becoming partly sunny	Cloudy, rain and snow showers possible
74°	58°	66° / 38°	54° / 36°	52° / 36°	45° / 32°

Regional Weather



Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.  
**Temperature**  
High ..... 59°  
Low ..... 49°  
Normal high ..... 52°  
Normal low ..... 34°  
Average humidity ..... 79%  
**Precipitation**  
24 hours ending 4 p.m. .... 0.09"  
Month to date ..... 0.25"  
Normal month to date ..... 0.44"  
Year to date ..... 3.88"  
Last year to date ..... 9.81"  
Normal year to date ..... 6.39"

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Regional Forecast

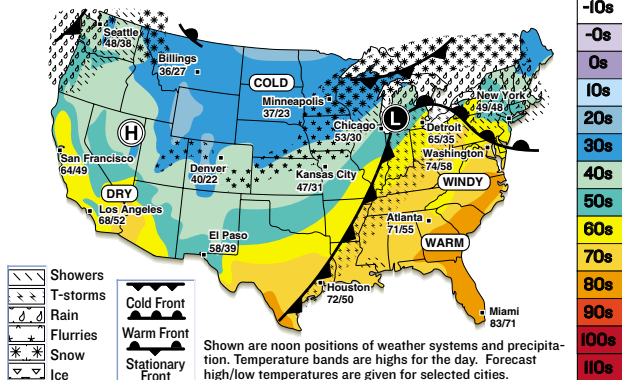
**D.C. Metro:** Today, becoming partly sunny, windy, warmer. High 74. Wind southwest 12-22 mph. Tonight, cloudy, breezy, mild, shower late. Low 58.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today ..... 6:34 a.m.  
Sunset tonight ..... 6:05 p.m.  
Moonrise today ..... 4:49 p.m.  
Moonset today ..... 6:15 a.m.



National Weather for Friday, March 5



National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Atlanta	71/55/c	65/43/r
Boston	45/42/r	57/33/r
Chicago	53/30/c	39/31/c
Dallas	68/42/pc	67/45/s
Denver	40/22/pc	51/20/pc
Honolulu	84/71/pc	83/69/pc
Los Angeles	68/52/pc	72/54/pc
Miami	83/71/s	85/68/s
New York City	49/48/c	58/37/r
Orlando	86/64/s	86/64/pc
Seattle	48/38/r	50/42/c

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Amsterdam	40/31/sn	37/30/pc
Athens	45/33/pc	46/32/pc
Berlin	33/23/s	38/22/pc
Buenos Aires	86/68/s	86/68/s
Calgary	35/24/pc	30/17/pc
Dublin	50/37/pc	47/34/pc
Geneva	47/28/r	45/27/sh
Moscow	16/-4/sn	12/3/sn
Rome	50/34/r	47/38/r
Sydney	83/56/s	74/61/r
Tokyo	45/36/s	54/35/r

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

# Playback

## Letters

### TO THE EDITOR

AS A DAILY METRO RIDER for the past 15 years, I was amused by Tracy Lucas's suggestion that Metro should sponsor a rider appreciation day ("Letters," March 3). The Metro system is certainly not perfect, but by far its biggest problem is its ridership.

Every day, I see people taking up more than one seat on the train, standing in train doorways blocking riders from entering and exiting, not offering their seat to someone who really needs it, preventing riders from getting to their trains by standing — rather than walking — on the left side of the escalator and using the trains as trash cans.

If we're going to demand better service from Metro, we also need to demand better behavior by its riders.

—DAVID DREMBUS  
Alexandria, Va.



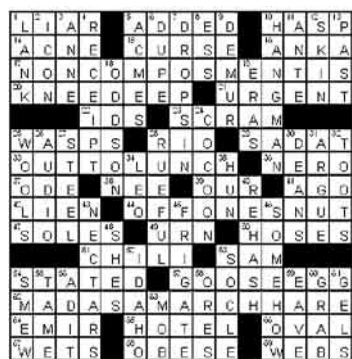
**SPEAK UP:** Got a story to tell? We want to hear it. Express is accepting guest column submissions from readers.

Submissions should be between 200 and 250 words and must include all the usual contact information. We'll give preference to columns about living in or commuting to D.C. — in other words, less politics and griping, more observation and reflection. Columns will run occasionally, as space allows. Send submissions by e-mail to [inbox@readexpress.com](mailto:inbox@readexpress.com).

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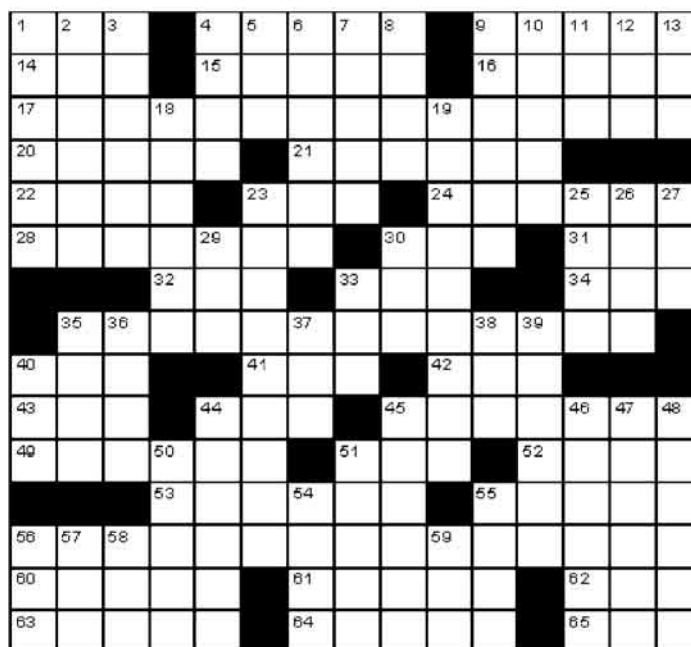
### Yesterday's Solution



### Crossword Puzzle: Undisclosed Location | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

#### ACROSS

- 1 Alums to be
- 4 Virgil Earp's brother
- 9 Strip for breakfast
- 14 "\_\_\_ in Black"
- 15 Backward-looking
- 16 Take for one's own
- 17 Communication from a lost soul, Part 1
- 20 Take in with relish
- 21 "Father Knows Best" actress Donahue
- 22 Barely got (with "out")
- 23 Weekend TV staple
- 24 Reagan ally in Nicaragua
- 28 Mocks
- 30 Garfield's human
- 31 Yearning
- 32 Drunkard
- 33 Sigma follower
- 34 Caress
- 35 Part 2 of the communication
- 40 Debate position
- 41 Chatter
- 42 Angle attachment
- 43 Need a sick day
- 44 It might be placed in Nevada
- 45 Baltimore or New Orleans, e.g.
- 49 Strait of Dover port
- 51 On behalf of
- 52 Ancient Greek



colonnade

53 Sure winner

55 Gown fabric

56 End of the communication

60 African chieftain (Var.)

61 Creepy

62 Lilliputian

63 \_\_\_ Arabia

64 Editorial view

65 Tally

#### DOWN

1 Seemed friendly

2 Murphy's "The Nutty Professor," e.g.

3 Hidden marksman

4 Envelop

5 Uh-huh

6 Birthplace of democracy

7 "The Three Billy Goats Gruff" meanie

8 R&B singer Braxton

9 Largest monkey

10 Decorate

11 Pigeon sound

- 12 Choose
- 13 Utmost
- 18 Certain colony member
- 19 Happen upon
- 23 Glimpse
- 25 Thsi is one
- 26 Offshore ridge
- 27 Soldier, e.g.
- 29 Play clay
- 30 Rattle
- 33 Surpass
- 35 Song for "Aida"
- 36 Auto commuter's bane
- 37 Dude
- 38 NOW cause
- 39 Tool with coarse teeth
- 40 Fundraiser for a pol
- 44 Language spoken by some in India
- 45 Arizona's Mexican neighbor
- 46 Ontario-Quebec border river
- 47 Stirred up
- 48 Blotto
- 50 Quizzed
- 51 Che supporter
- 54 Lofty poems
- 55 Editor's override
- 56 Had been
- 57 Marcus Welby's org.
- 58 Money of Rumania
- 59 Writer Anais

### The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



### Horoscope | Stella Wilder

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** — Invite a relative to join you on a journey of self-discovery. Your expectations are likely to be met and exceeded at every turn.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Someone may become impatient with your slow, deliberate manner — but you'll prove that caution is a necessity.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — A person you've known well, but who has been out of the picture lately, may surprise you with a sudden appearance. Perfect timing.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — That which keeps you going may be in short supply as the day wears on; you must be prepared to find inspiration elsewhere temporarily.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — Important decisions can be made without the need for you to change or disturb your social schedule in any way. Don't delay, however.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Others are looking to you with great expectations, and you have what it takes to deliver the goods. Indeed, you may surprise even yourself.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Someone will make a highly unusual — and perhaps untimely — request, which, despite reservations, you're tempted to fulfill.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — What you do with the information you receive on the sly is of the utmost importance. Weigh propriety against another's expectations.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — Don't become unreasonable simply because someone else has said no to you. Perhaps he or she knows better than you.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — You may have more power than you thought possible — but don't act prematurely, or make decisions that adversely affect others.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — You're not to be hurried, and anyone who would insist that you follow a certain path had better be warned of the dramatic consequences.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — Your daily routine may have to be broken up to accommodate the needs of a close friend or family member who needs your immediate help.

### LIVE ONLINE

## Bush-Cheney

From [washingtonpost.com/liveonline](http://washingtonpost.com/liveonline)

**MATTHEW DOWD**, chief strategist for the Bush-Cheney '04 campaign, was online Thursday to discuss President Bush's campaign ads, which feature firefighters and footage from the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

### What sort of reaction have you received from these ads?

The ads so far have been very positively received by people of all parties. The fact that we started with positive ads in contrast to the Kerry campaign starting with negative ads, I believe, is very helpful to us.

### Bush's use of Sept. 11 for his political gain is another sign of his sick disregard for individuals outside his political opinion.

We obviously grieve with the families and victims of the 9/11 tragedy. 9/11 is a shared tragedy that all Americans have faced and will continue to face. Our policies related to the war on terrorism and the economy must take this into account. It is totally appropriate to remember and acknowledge this event as we determine which candidate has the best policies to deal with the aftermath of 9/11.

### Your current re-election ads imply that the world is simultaneously less safe and yet more safe with the current president. How do you reconcile the paradox?

We believe the world is a safer place because of the president's decisions in dealing with the war on terrorism. However, global terrorism is still a challenge that we will have to continue to confront.

### What percentage of the Latino/Hispanic vote did Bush get in 2000 and do you have a target for 2004?

President Bush received 35 percent of the Hispanic vote in 2000. In 2004 our goal is obviously to improve on that and our hope is to receive 40 percent or higher.

### Today on Live Online

**11 A.M.:** Rea Hederman, of The Heritage Foundation, discusses the unemployment report and the economic outlook.

**2 P.M.:** Lawrence Mishel, president of the Economic Policy Institute, will analyze the jobs/unemployment numbers.

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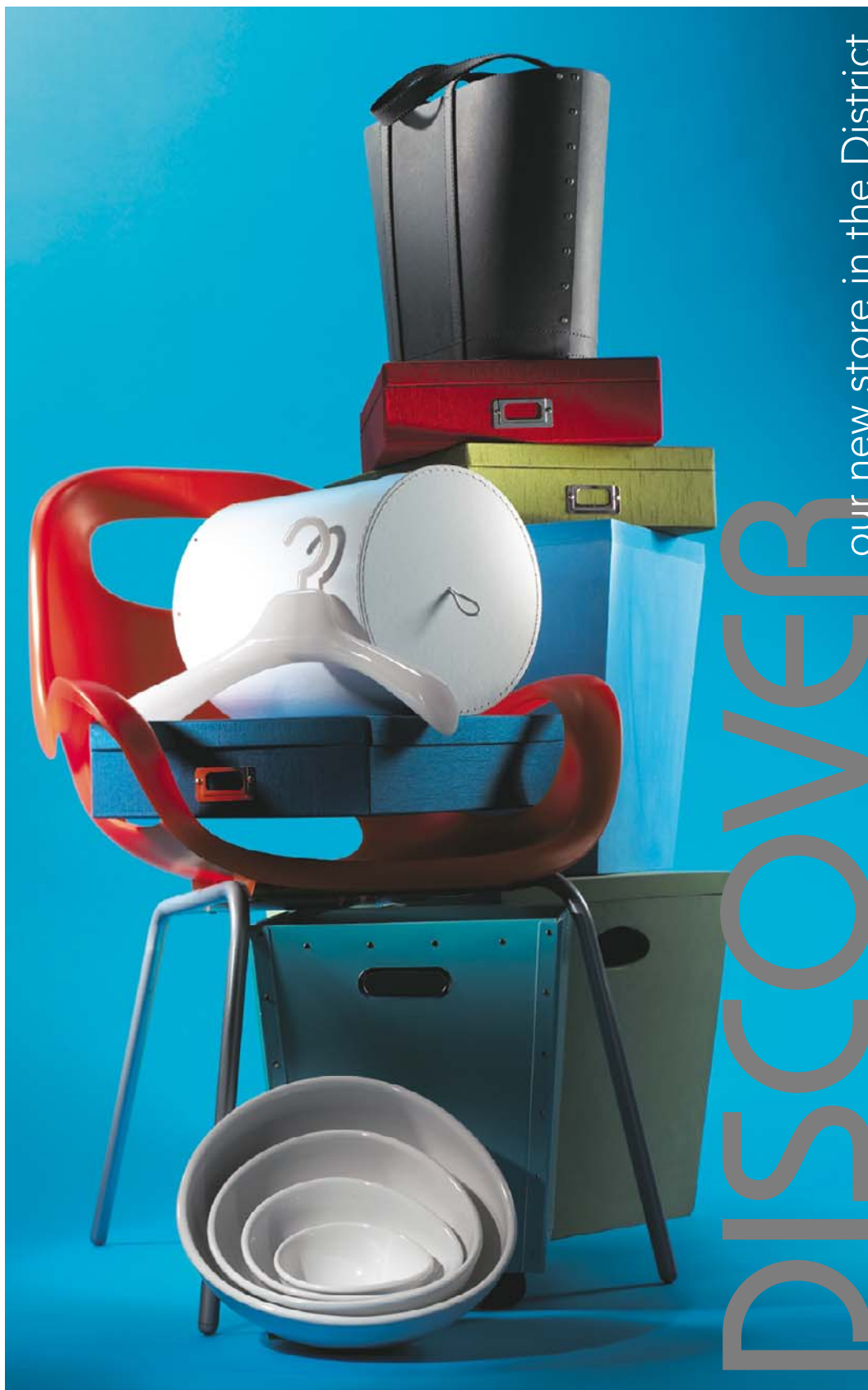


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